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References: a. SWNCC 257/2/D
b. SWNCC 257/8

Note by the Secretaries

The enclosure, a memorandum by the State Member, is referred to the State-War-Navy Coordinating Subcommittee for Europe in connection with their consideration of reference a.

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Memorandum by the State Member, SWNCC

At the request of SWNCC, in accordance with SWNCC 257/8, paragraph 12, the Secretary of State requested the Secretary of Commerce to submit comments on the British proposal contained in SWNCC 257/2/E, Appendix "C". (The British Chiefs of Staff proposed that the United States Chiefs of Staff agree that the principles governing the employment of and the principles and methods governing the allocation of German scientists and technicians for military purposes [CCS 870/9 and SWNCC 257/2/D, Appendices "A" and "B"] be also accepted as governing the exploitation of German scientists and technicians for civil purposes.)

The Secretary of Commerce in his reply to the Secretary of State indicated that in his opinion policies recommended by the British concerning the employment of Germans for civil purposes in the United Kingdom seemed to be consistent with the policies already agreed to by the State, War, Navy, and Commerce Departments, for comparable employment in the U.S. He did not find anything in the papers submitted to him concerning which the Publication Board need request reconsideration or revision. With respect to CCS 870/9, Enclosure "A", paragraph F, the Secretary of Commerce commented that if and when comparable problems (concerning matters of immigration and national security within the United Kingdom) arise with respect to employment of German scientists in the U.S., the Publication Board will, of course, obtain the advice and counsel of our Departments of Labor and Justice.

This information is circulated for action by the SWNC Subcommittee for Europe in drafting a reply for the Joint Chiefs of Staff